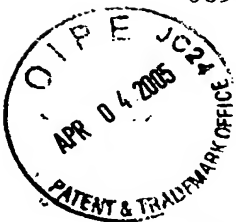


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Please advise of the status of the above-identified patent application. Applicants received the Filing Receipt, dated June 16, 2004. The last item received by Applicant was a Communication Regarding Rescission of Nonpublication Request and/or Notice of Foreign Filing, dated February 24, 2005. Applicants are currently awaiting a first Office Action.

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REMARKS

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1), it has been over fourteen months since the filing date of this Application and neither a Notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132 nor a Notice of Allowance under 35 U.S.C. § 151 have been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

If there are any matters that can be resolved through a telephone conference, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number listed below.

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